Tonto National Monument Open House Schedule

Tonto National Monument hosts two Open House weekends each year. This year's dates are November 4 - 5, 2006 and March 17 - 18, 2007. Entrance fees of \$3.00 per person will be collected. National Park Passes, Golden Eagle, Golden Age, and Golden Access Passports are also accepted.

Reservations, which are normally required for Upper Cliff Dwelling tours, are not necessary during the Open House. The trail to the Upper Cliff Dwelling is open 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The three-mile round trip climbs 600' on a moderately strenuous rocky trail. Part of the trail passes through a wash, with many loose rocks and boulders. Bring water, and wear sturdy shoes or hiking boots, a hat, and sunscreen. The trip takes 2-3 hours. Pets are not permitted on the Upper Cliff Dwelling trail.

The paved trail to the Lower Cliff Dwelling is one mile round trip, climbs 350', and usually takes 45 minutes to an hour to complete. **The Lower Cliff Dwelling trail closes to uphill travel at 4:00 p.m.** Pets are permitted, on a leash, on the Lower Cliff Dwelling trail.

The Monument's Visitor Center is open 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and offers exhibits, a bookstore, orientation video program, and restrooms. A nearby picnic area with shaded tables, restrooms, and water is open until 4:45 p.m.

For additional information, call (928) 467-2241.